

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings, and all prior versions, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fuel container for a fuel cell, comprising:
 - a liquid fuel chamber having a space configured for the storage of liquid fuel;
 - a valve disposed in an outlet of the liquid fuel chamber, the valve configured to supply the liquid fuel from the space to the fuel cell or stop the supply of the fuel;
 - a partition wall member slidably movable through the space toward the valve, an entire outer perimeter surface of the partition wall member being in contact with an inner perimeter wall of the space; and
 - a compressed gas chamber communicating with the space and storing compressed gas, the compressed gas imparting a back pressure to the partition wall member so that the partition wall member moves through the space toward the valve,
 - the liquid fuel chamber and the compressed gas chamber being integral with each other,
 - wherein a an entire face of the partition wall member opposing an entire end face of the space adjacent the outlet is configured to come into contact with substantially the entire end face of the space adjacent the outlet by the action of back pressure applied by the compression gas so that the fuel in the fuel container is fully discharged therefrom.
2. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the valve is constructed so as to be connectable to a fuel supply port of the fuel cell.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fuel container for a fuel cell comprising:

a container body storing liquid fuel and compressed gas, the container body having a connection port configured to supply the liquid fuel to the fuel cell;

a partition wall member disposed within the container body, the partition wall member partitioning the interior of the container body into a liquid fuel chamber storing the liquid fuel and a compressed gas chamber being juxtaposed to each other, and the compressed gas chamber being contiguous to the liquid fuel chamber and with the compressed gas sealed therein, an entire outer perimeter surface of the partition wall member being in contact with an inner perimeter wall of the liquid fuel chamber, the partition wall member slidably movable through the liquid fuel chamber;
and

a valve disposed in the connection port,

wherein ~~a~~ an entire face of the partition wall member opposing an entire end face of the liquid fuel chamber of the container body adjacent the connection port is configured to come into contact with substantially the entire end face of the liquid fuel chamber of the container body adjacent the connection port by the action of the back pressure applied by the compression gas so that the fuel in the fuel container is fully discharged therefrom.

4. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the fuel container is constructed so that it can be loaded into a device incorporating a fuel cell.

5. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the container body is formed in the shape of a cylinder, the liquid fuel chamber is formed in the shape of a cylinder or in a tubular shape having an oblong section.
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8. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the maximum pressure of the compressed gas is 0.3 MPaG or lower.
9. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the compressed gas is an oxygen-free gas.
10. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein at least a part of the liquid fuel chamber is formed of a light transmitting material.
11. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the container body has scales indicating the position of the partition wall member.
12. (ORIGINAL) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein the liquid fuel is a mixture of methanol and water.

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container according to claim 1, wherein a stopper that prevents a contact between the partition wall member and a bottom wall member of the container is formed on the bottom wall member.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the compressed gas chamber surrounds the liquid fuel container.

15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the compressed gas chamber and the liquid fuel container are arranged on the same axis.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the valve is fitted in a connection port formed in the outlet of the liquid fuel chamber, the valve having a spacer disposed on a peripheral wall of a bottom of the connection port, a spring supported within the spacer, a gasket disposed over the spacer, a hollow valve stem having a communication hole, the valve stem being inserted within the gasket, a fixing member engaged with an inner wall of the connection port and configured to urge the valve stem against the spring to allow communication between an ~~an~~ the liquid fuel chamber and the fuel cell.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the entire outer perimeter surface ~~an outer periphery~~ of the partition wall member is in airtight contact with the inner perimeter wall ~~an inner wall of~~ the space,

~~and an entire surface of the entire face of the partition wall is configured to conform against an entire surface of the entire end face of the space adjacent the outlet.~~

18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 17, wherein the liquid fuel chamber is filled with the liquid fuel.

19. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the liquid fuel chamber is filled with the liquid fuel.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 3, wherein the entire outer perimeter surface ~~an outer periphery of the partition wall member is in airtight contact with the inner perimeter wall an inner wall of the liquid fuel chamber of the container body, and an entire surface of the entire face of the partition wall is configured to conform against an entire surface of the entire end face of the liquid fuel chamber of the container body adjacent the connection port.~~

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 20, wherein the liquid fuel chamber is filled with the liquid fuel.

22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A fuel container for a fuel cell according to claim 3, wherein the liquid fuel chamber is filled with the liquid fuel.